

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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ACCOMMODATION AT TOURIST PLACES
SU THIRUNAVUKKARASAR

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a general shortage of accommodation for tourists in the country;
- (b) if so, whether any assessment in this regard has been made;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken to provide sufficient accommodation facility to the tourist during the peak seasons?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTHKUMAR)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir

(c) & (d) An Accommodation Assessment Survey had been commissioned by the Ministry of Tourism which has estimated a requirement of 1,25,000 rooms by the year 2005. At present there are 68,032 rooms in classified hotels. To augment the accommodation facilities, the Union Government extends fiscal incentives to prospective investors and also provides central financial assistance to State / UT Governments for construction of tourist accommodation based on the inter se priority and availability of funds.